IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

| In re Application of: |) |
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| | : Examiner: Unassigned |
| HARUYUKI YANAGI, ET AL. |) |
| | : Group Art Unit: 2861 |
| Application No.: 10/614,065 |) |
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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

<u>INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT</u>

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the following U.S. Application:

| <u>INVENTOR(S)</u> | APPLICATION NO. | FILING DATE |
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| Kenji Kawazoe, et al. | 09/512,640 | June 27, 2003 |

A copy of the above-identified application is enclosed.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner.

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